

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

5

of 1

Complete if Known

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Application Number | 09/575172 |
| Filing Date | 23 May 2000 |
| First Named Inventor | Kia Silverbrook |
| Art Unit | 2674 |
| Examiner Name | Abbas I Abdulsalam |
| Attorney Docket Number | NPX008US |

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|---|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No.* | Foreign Patent Document | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear |
| | | Country Code ¹ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known) | | | T ⁶ |
| | | JP 06-183187 A | Jul 5 1994 | Dainippon Printing Co Ltd | |
| | | JP 05-050738 A | Mar 2 1993 | Dainippon Printing Co Ltd | |
| | | DE 19836503 A1 | Feb 17 2000 | WHD Elektronische Prutechnik GmbH | |
| | | WO 97/40619 A1 | Oct 30 1997 | Charmey et al | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

| | | | |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| Examiner Signature | | Date Considered | |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|

⁵EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ⁶Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ⁷See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ⁸Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese Patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND

for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.
(571) 272-2000, fax (703) 305-0232, EPO 2122 (1-800-767-3123) and e-mail to PTO-SAC@USPTO.GOV.